

# THE CHIEF ATTRACTION FOR THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK!

No, I am not bragging when I say I am prepared to show the Finest, Fullest and Fanciest Stock of Men's Boys' and Youths' Clothing, Men's and Boys' Underwear, Furnishing Goods of all Kinds, Shoes, Trunks and Valises ever brought to Abilene.

All I ask of you is to call and be convinced that what I say I mean. Below I quote a few prices:

### Men's Overcoats.

Lined Cassimere Overcoat for	\$ 2.75.
Long Ulster Overcoat for	3.50.
All-Wool Ulster Overcoat for	5.00.
All-Wool Ulster, with collar and cuffs,	7.50.
Very Fine Melton Overcoat for	9.25.
Very Fine Black Worsted Overcoat	12.00.
Extra Fine Chinchilla Overcoat, with beaver collar and cuffs, for	15.00.

### MEN'S SUITS.

Men's Suits for	\$3.50.
Men's Suits for	4.50.
Worsted Suits for	5.00.
All-Cassimere Suits	6.50.

It is an impossibility for me to mention all the bargains I have in this line of Suits.

### Gents' Furnishing Goods.

In this line it is an impossibility for me to mention all the bargains I have. I will give a few prices below:

Woolen Socks per pair 12½c.
Cotton Socks, three pair for 25c.
All-Wool Scarlet Undershirts for 40c.
All-Wool Scarlet Drawers for 40c.
White Merino Shirts for 30c.
White Merino Drawers for 30c.
Silk-end Suspenders for 25c.

All other goods in proportion.

### Boys' and Youths' Overcoats.

I have the Best, Finest and Cheapest line in Abilene. Come and be convinced and see PRICES.

### HEADQUARTERS IN Children's and Boys' Suits.

\$1.75 will buy a nice suit.
2.50 will buy an extra fine suit.
3.50 will buy a suit which never was sold before for less than 6.00.
5.00 will buy the very best suit.

### Headquarters in Mufflers.

Fine Mufflers for	35c.
Better ones for	50c.
Fine Cashmere Mufflers for	75c.
Very best Cashmere Mufflers for	\$1.00.

Don't delay this Great Opportunity, but come early, before all the bargains are sold.

## The Palace Clothing Store, :: Corner Broadway and Third Streets,

The Only Responsible Clothing House in Abilene.

# SIMON ROTHSCCHILD, Proprietor.

Have your prescriptions compounded at John M. Gleissner's Drug store, east side of Broadway, cor. 3d st. 39-17

### The Reflector.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1888.

Official Paper of County and City.

#### RECENT REFLECTIONS.

Several turkey-shoots are billed for the last of the week.

The poultry houses are shipping dressed chickens and turkeys by the carload.

Practicing for Christmas entertainments is going on apace in all the Sunday schools.

Robert H. Kane will contribute the short story to next Monday's REFLECTOR. Our readers will find it exceedingly interesting.

Wanted—All the churches of the city to send us announcements of their Christmas exercises with a brief synopsis of the program to be given, that the people may know where to attend and what to expect.

In Clay Center the postoffice is open in the morning from 11 o'clock until noon and in the afternoon from 4 o'clock long enough to deliver the mails that come in at that hour. Why cannot Abilene have as good accommodations in that respect as Clay Center, especially as our postmaster is paid a larger salary?

Marshal Powell "took up" a stray cow last Saturday and lodged her in the city pound. The animal which was wandering about the Santa Fe track on Southside, has not yet been claimed by the owner and will be sold next Saturday forenoon unless the owner appears. If you have lost a cow, now is the time to get in your claim.

#### County Teacher's Association.

The following is the program for the meeting of the Dickinson County Teachers' Association to be held at the Central school building, Abilene, Saturday, January 12, 1889, beginning at 1 o'clock p. m.:

Music. Prayer. Music.

The Teacher:—

(a) Relation to Pupil—John H. Engle

(b) "Parent"—H. M. Light

(c) "Himself"—W. H. Wagner

Special Drill:—

(a) To Cultivate Perceptive Powers—Myrtle Wick.

(b) To Cultivate Memory and Imagination—C. M. Harger.

(c) To Cultivate Reasoning Power—D. F. Shirk.

RECESS.

Music.

The Teacher's Daily Preparation.—O. L. Bates

Discussion.—W. H. Phillips, Lucy Stacy

Music. Lecture.

Papers to occupy ten minutes each.

F. A. Baker, S. M. Cook, H. F. Graham.

Executive Committee.

#### A PROMISING INDUSTRY.

The Abilene Pottery Works Gaining a Strong Hold on the Market—Thousands of Specimens of the Potter's Skill Being Turned Out.

It is sometimes true that people must go away from home to learn the news, and we have no doubt that there are numbers of citizens of Abilene who know less of some of the city's later enterprises than they do of the industries of places a hundred or thousand miles away.

There is in the southwest part of the city an industry that will well repay a visit. Its operations will be to many a citizen of Abilene a lesson in the possibilities of Central Kansas and instruct them in the knowledge of what can be accomplished here by the turning of men's energies in the right direction. We refer to the

#### ABILENE POTTERY WORKS.

conducted and owned by Mr. J. M. Hart, who is making of them a pronounced success.

The establishment is not as yet very extensive, but is still capable of turning out a large amount of material. In the three months that it has been in operation over 100,000 vessels have been manufactured, and the workmen are kept busy right along making more.

The building consists of four rooms on the ground floor—an engine room, mixing room, molding room and drying room. Large clay-mixers run by machinery are seen in the second, and well they do their work. In the third the potters are fashioning the plastic clay into the various forms of household utensils. The

#### THOUSANDS OF VESSELS

are then put on racks in the drying room to await their trial by fire in the great kiln just outside.

The kiln takes in from 3,000 to 5,000 gallons at a time and one burning occurs each week. The ware when completed is as fine and durable as any found in the market. It has a clear, fine ring and is without a seam or crack.

Mr. Hart informed us that he has no difficulty in disposing of all the ware he can manufacture and that he believed there is a large field for Kansas' manufactured ware in the market.

#### SUITABLE CLAY IS PLENTY.

There is no trouble in finding in this immediate vicinity all the clay necessary to supply the works. Some of it is mixed a little with limestone and is so less valuable; but with a larger manufactory, more extensive excavations could be made and the resources of the deeper portions of earth utilized. There undoubtedly exist in Dickinson county vast beds of clay that will make the best kind of pottery—jugs, crates, dishes, etc., etc. All that is needed is encouragement in the way of added capital and more interest taken in the

#### development.

We would advise our readers to make a visit to the Pottery anyway. You will be well treated by Mr. Hart and will gain much valuable knowledge. If you are of a philosophic turn of mind you may be tempted to quote the opening lines of Longfellow's "Keramos:"

"Turn, turn, my wheel, turn round and round,  
Without a pause, without a sound,  
So spins the flying world away.  
This clay, well-mixed with marl and sand,  
Follows the motion of my hand,  
For some must follow, some command,  
Though all are made of clay."

#### Gathered Home.

Wednesday morn death entered the home of J. Fred Bolster and took the little four-year-old daughter. The child was a bright, winsome being and the family can scarcely be comforted over the loss.

The disease which carried her away was diphtheria, a dangerous malady to make its appearance in the city. On account of the nature of the disease it is thought best to have no public services at the house. The funeral cortege will leave the home at 10 o'clock tomorrow and a short burial service will be held at the cemetery by W. H. Zimmerman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bolster have the heartfelt sympathy of a wide circle of friends in their bereavement. We sincerely hope that no more cases of diphtheria will break out either in the family or elsewhere in the city.

#### Sunday School Lesson.

International Series—Lesson for Dec. 23, 1888, "Ruth's Choice;" Ruth I:16-22.

Questions on the lesson to be answered and suggestions discussed primarily by the members of the Bible class in the Lutheran Sabbath school of Abilene and by all others who desire:

1. Did Naomi, her husband and sons do wrong in going to the land of Moab?
2. Was the death of her husband and sons a punishment sent from God?
3. Was Naomi true to her God?
4. Are the sorrows and trials of a Christian punishments sent from God?
5. What did Ruth in going with Naomi give up?
6. What did she gain?
7. Which is the easier, to be earnest in God's service, or to be idle?
8. Did Naomi do right in bidding Orpha and Ruth to go back to their people?

Lesson suggested.

Wandered away to the land of idols; sickness and death following; Ruth chose; every one must choose—who will go? The resolve "to go" will insure the needed grace and strength. "Where hast thou gleaned?" The fields of Christ have great riches; the gleanings are better than all earthly harvests.

#### Notice of Appointment.

STATE OF KANSAS, ss.  
Dickinson County, ss.  
In the matter of the estate of John P. Swenson late of Dickinson County, Kansas.  
Notice is hereby given, that on the 14th day of December, A. D. 1888, the undersigned was by the Probate Court of Dickinson County, Kansas, duly appointed and qualified as administrator of the estate of John P. Swenson, late of Dickinson County, deceased. All parties interested in said estate will take notice and govern themselves accordingly.  
J. A. DAVIS, Administrator.  
STACY, HARRIS, HEND & DEWEY, Attorneys.  
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#### WANTED.

1000 Live Turkeys,  
1000 Live Chickens,  
1000 Live Ducks,  
1000 Live Geese,  
1000 Jack Rabbits,  
For which we will pay the highest market price at the cheap cash grocery of  
**KUMP, FICKES & CO.,**  
Abilene.  
15-17

B. F. Nelson has these choice articles for a well furnished table: Celery, best in the market; canned goods of all kinds, apples, onions, lemons, oranges, grapes, prunells, home-made mince-meat. Call and look at his stock.

H. S. Tisdale & Co. lead in lamps in style, variety and price. 17-17

See what you can get for a nice holiday dinner at Nelson's: Bulk oysters, bananas, dates, figs, raisins, nuts, candies and nice pickles.

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Apply at 820 West Third street or Dr. HAZLETT.  
196-17-17

Go to H. S. Tisdale & Co. for your Christmas candies and fancy groceries. Nelson will sell you groceries for your Christmas dinner at very bottom prices.

Books are suitable presents for all. Sewell has taken this fact as a guide in laying in his holiday stock and has provided an array of choice books from cheapest to finest that is rarely matched.

Oranges, 25c per dozen at H. S. Tisdale & Co. Is.

Go to Nelson's for silk handkerchiefs, mittens, scarfs and other useful Christmas presents.

#### Wonderfully Busy.

The Parlor Grocery was crowded this afternoon with purchasers who were laying in material for Christmas dinners. The clerks have been rushed all this week and scarcely have time to breathe. There is only one explanation of this wonderful rush—the remarkably low prices that the firm is making on all kinds of groceries, fruits, candies, etc., as well as the excellence of their stock. Mr. J. S. Shively, the manager of the firm, has made a distinguished success in the business and has won a large patronage which is constantly increasing. We would advise the firm's patrons to go early in the day and avoid the rush.

## SPECIAL

**G. C. STERL & CO.,**  
The Clothiers, Hatters and Furnishers,  
WERE FORTUNATE IN GETTING  
**20 DOZEN**  
Gentlemen's Hemstitched, Bordered Handkerchiefs, Superior quality, guaranteed fast colors, extra good size, which we propose selling until Christmas, if they do not go before, at the extremely Low Price of  
**15c EACH, OR 2 FOR 25c.**

This is a special price and we know they will not last long. We invite your inspection.

## G. C. STERL & CO.

Clothiers and Hatters.  
Mail Orders Promptly Filled.

#### HERE'S YOUR POULTRY.



**5,000 Turkeys**  
**wanted.**  
**10,000 Chickens**  
**wanted.**  
**Berry & Co.**  
want this number of turkeys and chickens during the next two weeks, and they will pay one cent a pound more for them than any other firm in the city.

#### ABILENE MARKETS.

ABILENE, KAN., Dec. 20  
Hogs, per 100 lbs. 5.00  
Cows, per 100 lbs. 4.50  
Steers, per 100 lbs. 4.00  
(Corrected weekly by John & Rice Mill Co.)  
Wheat, No. 2, soft 80  
Wheat, No. 3, soft 78  
Wheat, No. 2, hard 75  
Wheat, No. 3, hard 72  
Corn, white 32  
Corn, mixed 30  
Rye 28  
Oats 18  
(Corrected weekly by H. F. Nelson.)  
Butter, cream 15  
Chickens, per doz. alive 1.50  
Turkeys, per lb. alive .75  
Eggs, per doz. 1.00  
Onions, per bu. 6.00  
Potatoes 6.00  
Flour, per 100 lbs. 2.00

Here's what you can get in choice groceries at Nelson's: Rolled oats, buckwheat flour, nice apple butter, pure apple cider, lemon peel, citron catsups and hominy.

Sewell is up with the hard times, selling all goods, and especially holiday goods and books, at prices as hard as the times.

For anything in the line of Christmas or fancy goods, go to H. S. Tisdale & Co.

Nelson at his model store on Buckley can show a choice line of staple and fancy groceries.

#### County Finances.

Statement of the indebtedness of Dickinson county, Kansas, on the 15th day of October, 1888.

GENERAL FUND.	
RECEIPTS.	
From balance at last settlement.	\$ 3,570 19
From taxes.	41,362 06
From railroad taxes.	2,887 74
From stenographer's fees.	284 00
From jury fees.	54 00
From receipts of Poor Farm.	71 00
From election expenses.	75 00
Lyon township.	17 00
From costs collected T. J. Loney road.	17 00
From city of Abilene.	53 00
From redemptions.	25 04
From penalties.	4,645 77—\$50,882 05
DISBURSEMENTS.	
For Probate Court.	772 00
For Coroner.	105 00
For county high school.	120 00
For salary of officers.	9,028 50
For State cases Dist. court.	4,091 15
Justice court.	73 45
For transporting and keeping prisoners.	2,148 00
For jurors' fees.	4,894 00
For transporting and keeping in jail.	177 16
For elections.	386 50
For county printing and advertising.	1,390 58
For books and stationery.	2,354 96
For improvement county property.	17,682 21
For roads and bridges.	2,168 14
For poor.	2,168 14
For postage, express, etc.	153 65
For incidental.	811 15
For fuel.	41 70
For rent.	1,829 14
For assessors.	2,475 00
For poor farm.	1,829 14
For salaries.	1,061 78
For coupons paid Grant township.	310 00
For delinquent taxes.	948 70
For outstanding warrants.	1,284 51—\$50,817 27
Balance in hands of co. treasurer at time of settlement.	\$1,665 34

#### COUNTY SINKING FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From balance at last settlement.	\$1,088 65
From taxes.	2,043 00
From railroad taxes.	180 47—\$3,312 12

For delinquent taxes. 47 45

Balance in hands of co. treasurer. \$3,840 07

#### COUNTY INTEREST FUND.

RECEIPTS.

From balance at last settlement.	\$ 419 00
From taxes.	8,172 14
From railroad taxes.	1,291 40
From loan Lebold, Fisher & Co. and discount.	3,041 50—\$12,924 04

DISBURSEMENTS.

For int. and com. on bonds \$1,455 45	
For int. and com. on C. & K. & W. bonds.	3,500 74
For discount on loan Lebold, Fisher & Co.	866 00
For int. and com. C. & K. & W. bonds.	3,068 18
For int. and com. C. & K. & W. bonds.	1,022 75
For delinquent taxes.	180 70—\$12,020 25

Balance in hands of co. treasurer. \$3,374 65

Statement of indebtedness of Dickinson county, Kansas, on the 15th day of October, 1888.

#### LIABILITIES.

County bond, due April 1, 1891.	\$ 14,800 00
County bonds, poor farm, due April 1, 1892.	4,000 00
County bonds, loan to C. & K. & W., due July 1, 1917.	116,000 00
County bonds, loan to C. & K. & W., due November 1, 1917.	100,000 00
County bonds, loan to C. & K. & W., due December 28, 1907.	100,000 00
County warrants outstanding.	1,284 54
Total liabilities.	\$250,784 54
ASSETS.	
Value of court house and grounds.	\$ 40,000 00
County bridges.	70,000 00
Five safes.	2,000 00
Furniture.	2,000 00
Furnaces and stoves.	2,000 00
County jail and sheriff's residence.	25,000 00
Poor farm.	12,800 00
Total assets.	\$153,800 00
Total M. H. Be-L county clerk of the county of Dickinson, State of Kansas, do hereby certify that the above is a true statement of the finances of said county.	
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 15th day of December, A. D. 1888.	
(Seal)	County Clerk.